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FOR CHARGE FROM AMBASSADOR

EO 11652: NA
TAGS: PDIP, OTRA (LE MELLE, WILBERT J.), US, SE
SUBJECT: VISIT TO SEYCHELLES

REF: VICTORIA 398 (NOTAL)

1. YOUR APPROACH TO PRESIDENT RENE RE POSSIBILITY OF MY PRESENTATION TO HIM OF CREDENTIALS DURING WEEK OF JULY 18 MUCH APPRECIATED. SINCE I HAVE OBTAINED CONDITIONAL APPROVAL FROM KENYAN FOREIGN MINISTRY TO PRESENT IN SEYCHELLES PRIOR TO PRESENTATION IN KENYA, I AM MAKING PLANS TO VISIT SEYCHELLES IN ACCORDANCE PROPOSAL REFTEL. ACCORDINGLY, I HAVE MADE TENTATIVE RESERVATIONS TO TRAVEL TO SEYCHELLES MONDAY, JULY 18 ON BA 071, ARRIVING SEYCHELLES AT 1335, AND TO RETURN TO NAIROBI THURSDAY, JULY 21 ON BA 060, DEPARTING SEYCHELLES AT 2115.

2. CONDITION IMPOSED BY KENYAN FOREIGN MINISTRY IS THAT I CANCEL PLANS TO GO TO SYEHCELLES IF AT LAST MINUTE MINISTRY SUCCEEDS IN SCHEDULING PRESENTATION CEREMONY WITH PRESIDENT KENYATTA. KENYATTA, FOR HEALTH AND PERHAPS OTHER REASONS, HAS RECEIVED NO NEW AMBASSADOR
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SINCE MID-MARCH. I AM NINTH WAITING IN LINE TO PRESENT. ISSUE IS MATTER OF INCREASING EMBARRASSMENT TO GOK. IN SCHEDULING TIME AND DATE FOR PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS TO PRESIDENT RENE, PLEASE MAKE CLEAR RISK OF LAST MINUTE CANCELLATION AND REASONS THEREFORE. HE SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT IF CANCELLATION BECOMES NECESSARY NO REPEAT NO SLIGHT INTENDED TOWARDS HIS

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GOVERNMENT AS NORMAL INTERNATIONAL PROTOCOL REQUIRES
PRESENTATION IN COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE PRIOR TO PRESEN-
TATION IN OTHER COUNTRIES. IN VIEW OF EXCEPTIONAL CIR-
CUMSTANCES CURRENTLY PREVAILING IN KENYA, KENYAN GOVERN-
MENT HAS AGREED TO MAKE CONDITIONAL WAIVER OF NORMAL
PROTOCOL PRACTICES. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP DATE OF SCHEDULED
PRESENTATION SO THAT WE MAY PREPARE NECESSARY FIRST
PERSON NOTES ANNOUNCING PRESENTATION ACCORDINGLY. OTHER
DETAILS OF PROGRAM CAN BE COMMUNICATED LATER WHEN
ARRANGEMENTS FIRMED UP.

3. I WILL BE VISITING SEYCHELLES ALONE AS MY WIFE WILL
NOT BE ARRIVING IN NAIROBI UNTIL LATER. I ACCEPT YOUR
GRACIOUS INVITATION TO HOST A COCTAIL PARTY FOR ABOUT
50 PEOPLE INCLUDING PRESIDENT RENE AND/OR FORIEGN MINISTER
SINON PER PARA 3 REFTEL. PLEASE ACCEPT ON MY BEHALF
ANY LUNCHEON OR DINNER PROPOSED BY RENE OR SINON.
SHOULD I BE PREPARED TO HOST SMALL LUNCHEON OR DINNER
FOR SEYCHELLOIS OFFICIALS AT SOME RESTAURANT SUCH
AS CORSAIR? PLEASE ADVISE.

4. COPIES OF LETTERS OF RECALL AND CREDENCE FOR DELIVERY
TO FOREIGN MINISTRY IN ADVANCE ARE BEING POUCHED TO
YOU JULY 11. ALSO PLEASE VERIFY TELEGRAPHICALLY
CORRECTNESS OF LIST BEING POUCHED TO YOU RE FIRST
PERSON NOTES TO BE SENT.
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5. RE ACCOMMODATIONS, RALPH LINDSTROM ADVISES ME
THAT CORAL STRAND HOTEL IS CONVENIENTLY LOCATED AND
HAS EXCELLENT BEACH. IF YOU CONSIDER THIS HOTEL
APPROPRIATE, PLEASE RESERVE SINGLE ROOM AT RATE
WHICH WOULD BE COVERED BY NORMAL PER DIEM. ALSO,
PLEASE ADVISE WHAT TRANSPORTATION WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR
MY USE DURING MY STAY IN SEYCHELLES.

6. FOR DEPARTMENT. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT'S CONCURRENCE
IN ABOVE DESCRIBED PLANS TO VISIT SEYCHELLES.
DCM LINDSTROM WOULD BE CHARGE DURING MY ABSNECE FROM
NAIROBI.

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